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Re:

Sonoran Solar Energy Project, Gen-Tie

Line Siting #162; Docket Control # L-00000UU-11-0337-00162

Dear Mr. Olea:

I want to again invite the Staff of the Arizona Corporation Commission to make whatever comment you feel appropriate in writing, by live testimony or both on the above application of Sonoran Solar Energy, LLC, for the issuance of a Certificates of Environmental Compatibility for a substation and interconnection south of Buckeye, Arizona. The Arizona Power Plant and Transmission Line Siting Committee has an ongoing interest in the technical expertise of your staff in considering applications that come before it.

If you wish to submit your opinions in writing, please do so by filing them with Docket Control with copies to the Applicant and the members of the Committee. If you wish to have one or more members of your staff testify, please notify me by letter containing the names of your staff who would testify and a summary of their proposed testimony. Please file the summary with Docket Control, with a copy to the Applicants and the Committee members. It would be very helpful if the written opinions or the testimony summary were filed and sent on or before October 18, 2011, so that the Applicants will have an opportunity to respond at the evidentiary hearing scheduled to begin on October 25, 2011.

The Committee likely will be interested in: 1) Do you have an opinion about whether the proposed project improves the reliability or safety of operation of the grid? and 2) Do you have an opinion about the advantages and disadvantages of the preferred and the alternate route in the application? We would, of course, welcome your thoughts on any other issues relevant to our statutory review that you feel we should consider.

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If you have any questions concerning our request, please do not hesitate to call me. We look forward to your input.

Very Truly Yours,

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